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TO: Persons Interested in the Activities of the Commission
for Teacher Preparation and Licensing

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SUBJECT: Examination Score Standards and Appeal Process - Update

The Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing, at its June 1976 meeting, extended use of the N.T.E. Examinations and the adopted cut-off scores to December 31, 1976, and adopted an appeal process. This appeal process is applicable only to examinations relating to the multiple and single subject teaching credentials. This letter updates our letter dated July 26, 1976 listing the minimum scores required for an appeal, by including the minimum score standards for the July 1976 administration of the examination.

The adopted appeal process is on an interim basis and expires December 31, 1976. This policy states that:

Effective July 1, 1976, and extending to December 31, 1976, the Common Examinations scores may be considered for appeal if all of the following (1, 2, and 3) are met:

- (1) the score is at least equivalent to the 25th percentile among California candidates at the same test administration;
- (2) the candidate has either -
 - (a) an overall grade point average of 3.0, or
 - (b) an excess score in one area equivalent to at least twice the shortage in the area(s) in question;
- (3) a grade point average of 2.5 has been earned in at least 12 semester hours of course work in the area(s) in question.

Effective July 1, 1976, and extending to December 31, 1976, Single Subject Matter Area Examinations scores may be considered for appeal if all of the following are met:

- (1) the score is at least equivalent to the 40th percentile among California candidates at the same test administration;
- (2) the candidate has an overall grade point average of 2.5;
- (3) the candidate has a grade point average of 3.0 in at least 18 semester hours of course work in the subject area for which the examination is to be waived.

Commission policy provides that anyone meeting these standards who took the examination after July 1, 1974, and before December 31, 1976, may request an appeal by writing to the Commission; providing evidence required above, including a copy of the report of scores and complete transcripts; and submitting the required \$20 processing fee for each examination to be considered. This fee is not refundable.

PASSING SCORE STANDARDS
September 1, 1974 - December 31, 1976

<u>Examination</u>	<u>Passing Score</u>
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Common Examinations (candidate must pass in each section)

Written English Expression	60
Social Science, Literature & Fine Arts	60
Science & Math	62

Single Subject Examinations

Art Education	622
Biology and General Science	676
Business Education	629
Chemistry, Physics, & General Science	628
English Language and Literature	618
French	613
German	631
Home Economics Education	647
Industrial Arts Education	626
Mathematics	632
Men's Physical Education (prior to February 1976)	612
Music Education	616
Physical Education (February 1976 to present)	623
Social Studies	627
Spanish	636
Women's Physical Education (prior to February 1976)	664

MINIMUM SCORES REQUIRED, BY DATE
OF EXAMINATION, TO QUALIFY FOR
THE APPEAL PROCESS

Year	Nov	Feb	July	Nov
1974-75	'75	'76	'76	'76

(25th percentile of Calif. scores)

55	55	55	56
57	56	59	57
56	56	54	55

(40th percentile of Calif. scores)

620	632	606	609
658	696	593	640
643	551	607	605
624	634	585	647
615	617	574	585
662	635	561	---
513	559	626	---
625	588	638	618
620	619	619	644
582	551	564	579
620	612	---	---
541	553	636	---
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616	612	598	570
641	634	600	---
627	583	---	---